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1. (Currently Amended) A modular telephone plug comprising:

- an elongated housing having an inside end, an outside end, a bottom and a coupling device formed on the bottom;
- a connector module mounted in the elongated housing at the inside side; and
- a flexible engaging tab with two opposite sides mounted detachably on the bottom of the elongated housing, the flexible engaging tab defining a gap between the engaging tab and the bottom of the elongated housing and the engaging tab having
 - a stationary end fastened on the bottom at the inside end of the elongated housing by the coupling device;
 - a free end abutting slidably on the bottom at the outside end of the elongated housing; and
 - two detents defined respectively at the sides adjacent to the inner end and corresponding to the gap between the engaging tab and the bottom of the elongated housing, wherein the elongated housing further has two wings respectively formed integrally at the outside end of the housing and separated from each other and defining a passage between the wings, and two guiding grooves respectively defined in the wings in the passage; and

the free end of the engaging tab is a sliding block having two opposite sides and two protrusions formed respectively at the sides, mounted respectively and held slidably in the guiding grooves.

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4. (Original) The modular telephone plug as claimed in claim 1, wherein the coupling device is two stubs formed and protruded from the bottom of the elongated housing; and

the stationary end of the engaging tab has two holes corresponding to the stubs;

wherein the stubs are inserted and held respectively in the holes to mount the engaging tab on the bottom of the elongated housing.